

EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

This communication is an Examiner's reasons for allowance in response to application filed on 07/18/2000, assigned serial 09/618,853 and titled "Process for Automatic Drive Slip Control (ASR)."

The following is the Examiner's statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter:

The applicant's amendment and arguments filed on 05/30/2008 have been fully considered. After carefully reconsidering the application and the applied prior art, the examiner has realized the application is patentably distinct from the prior art. The prior art are not deemed strong to make the application unpatentable.

The examiner has found the references to Scharamm et al (US 5884719) and Taniguchi et al. (US 5947221A) are closed to the subject matter of claim 1. However, after carefully reconsidering the application in view of the cited prior art, the examiner has found none of the cited prior art fairly discloses or suggests the steps of evaluating dynamic values associated with the front wheel of the vehicle, and if the dynamic values associated with the front wheels exceed a threshold value, increasing the normal drive slip value of the rear wheels.

For that reason, the current claims 1-9 are patentable over the cited prior art.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Tuan C To whose telephone number is (571) 272-6985. The examiner can normally be reached on from 8:00AM to 5:00PM.

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